

Site Name: HOERBIGER DRIVETECH USA INC

Alias(es):

City: AUBURN

County or Parish: LEE

State: AL

Refer to Report Dated: 03/22/2016

EPA ID: ALN000405025

Report Developed By: STATE

State ID:

Report Type: Preliminary Assessment #001

Decision Date: 05/10/2016

- ☒ 1. Further Remedial Site Assessment Under CERCLA (Superfund) is not required because: NFRAP-Site does not qualify for the NPL based on existing information
- ☐ 2. Further Assessment Needed Under CERCLA.
- ☐ 3. Remedial study/cleanup needed.

Decision/Rationale:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has determined that no further remedial action by the Federal Superfund program is warranted at the referenced site, at this time. The basis for the no further remedial action planned (NFRAP) determination is provided below. A NFRAP designation means that no additional remedial steps under the Federal Superfund program will be taken at the site unless new information warranting further Superfund consideration or conditions not previously known to EPA regarding the site are disclosed. In accordance with EPA's decision regarding the tracking of NFRAP sites, the referenced site may be removed from EPA's Active site inventory and placed in a separate Archive site inventory as an historical record if no further Superfund interest is warranted. Archived sites may be returned to the Active site inventory if new information necessitating further Superfund consideration is discovered.

Hoerbiger Drivotech USA is a closed facility located just south of Auburn, AL. The facility property comprises about 11 acres and is within Auburn Technology Park South. A large manufacturing building occupies about half of the property. The industrial park opened in 1995, and Hoerbiger Drivotech USA, Inc. (Hoerbiger) was the first industry to build and operate on this spot within it. Hoerbiger was in operation from early 1999 until July 2009, under the direction of its parent company Hoerbiger Autriebtechnik of Germany. The Site produced automobile transmission power-train components, and was a large quantity generator of hazardous waste, a small quantity handler of universal waste and a used oil generator. In 2009 Hoerbiger vacated the site and moved its operations across Enterprise Drive to another location within Auburn Technology Park South. "The Site" as evaluated in this 2016 PA comprised the former (1999-2009) location.

In 2008, EPA Region 4 and ADEM conducted a joint RCRA compliance evaluation inspection (CEI). A number of significant violations were identified. Subsequently, in 2009, ADEM issued Consent Order (CO) No. 09-73-CHW under which Hoerbiger was directed to plan and then complete, the closure of its 90-day hazardous waste storage area. The closure was completed in 2010. The closure action included soil sampling appropriate for the hazardous materials which had been used onsite, which included acetone, chromium, hydrochloric acid, methanol, sodium hydroxide, sulfuric acid and toluene. In response to sampling results, 50 cubic yards of surficial soil was excavated and sent for disposal to a Waste Management, Inc. landfill in Salem, Alabama. The area was regraded, covered with asphalt and is currently used for storage.

A site visit for the PA was conducted on March 7, 2016. Changes to the site included additions to the original building, removal of soil south of the haz waste storage area, and redevelopment of this area for storage. Photographic documentation was collected inside the facility, showing outside renovations and the current condition of the surface water pathway. The Site was found to be open and accessible to the public. There are no known schools, daycare centers, or residences within 200 feet of the Site. The nearest businesses are 360 feet to the north, and the closest residential area is about 1/3 mile to the east, adjacent to a golf course. The area is lightly populated, with about 79 persons living within 1/2 -mile of the site. In view of the nature of the completed cleanup and present site conditions, the site is designated No Further Response Action Planned (NFRAP).

Site Decision Made By: Ralph Howard

Signature: _____

Ralph O. Howard Jr.

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